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-260 TTTGCTGGTCTCCGTCAGTCGCCGACAGCAGCAAGATCGCGGATCGCGGGTGTAG  
-206 ACCCGGAGCCCGGGACGCGAGCTTCGTCGCCGTTGAGCGAGGCTGTCTTCGCGAGG  
-146 CCTCTCCAGCCCAAGAAACTACATAAAAGCATCGGATTGCTTGACCTGGCCCTT  
-86 GCTGTAACGTGAAGGCTCGCTCAACCTCGCCCTCTAGCGTTTGTCTGGAGAAGTACCAACC  
-26 CGGCTCCTGGGGACACAGTTGGGCTATGGTGTCTCCACCAAGCATCCCAAGTGGTTAAG  
MetValSerSerThrSerIleProValValLys 11

34 GCTCTCCGCGAGCCCAAGTCTCCGACTATGGCAACTATGATATCATAGTCCGGCATTACAAC  
AlaLeuArgSerGlnValSerAspTyrGlyAsnTyrAspIleIleValArgHisTyrAsn 31

94 TACACAGGCAAGCTGAACATCGGAGTGGAGAGGACCATGGCATTAAACTGACTTCAGTG  
TyrThrGlyLysLeuAsnIleGlyValGluLysAspHisGlyIleLysLeuThrSerVal 51

154 GTGTTTCATTCTCATCTGCTGCTTGATCATCTCCTAGAGAATATATTGCTCTTGTAACCTATT  
ValPheIleLeuIleCysCysLeuIleIleLeuGluAsnIlePheValLeuLeuThrIle 71

214 TGGAAAACCAAGAAGTTCACCGGCCCATGTACTATTTCATAGGCAACCTAGCCCTCTCG  
TrpLysThrLysLysPheHisArgProMetTyrTyrPheIleGlyAsnLeuAlaLeuSer 91

274 GACCTGTTAGCAGGAGTGGCTTACACAGCTAACCTGCTGTGTCTGGGGCCACCACTAC  
AspLeuLeuAlaGlyValAlaTyrThrAlaAsnLeuLeuLeuSerGlyAlaThrThrTyr 111

334 AAGCTCACACCTGCCAGTGGTTCTCGCGGAAGGAAGTATGTTGTGGCTCTGTCTGCC  
LysLeuThrProAlaGlnTrpPheLeuArgGluGlySerMetPheValAlaLeuSerAla 131

394 TCAGTCTTCAGCCTCCTTGCTATCGCCATTGAGCGCTACATCACCATTGCTGAAGATGAAA  
SerValPheSerLeuLeuAlaIleAlaIleGluArgTyrIleThrMetLeuLysMetLys 151

454 CTACACAACGGCAGCAACAGCTCGCGCTCCTTTCTGCTGATCAGTGCCTGTGGGTGATC  
LeuHisAsnGlySerAsnSerSerArgSerPheLeuLeuIleSerAlaCysTrpValIle 171

FIG. 7A

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514 TCCCTCATCTGGGTGGGCTGCCCATCATGGGCTGGAAGTGCATCAGCTCGCTGTCCAGC  
SerLeuIleLeuGlyGlyLeuProIleMetGlyTrpAsnCysIleSerSerLeuSerSer 191

594 TGCTCCACCGTCTCCGCTCTACCAAGCACTATATTCTTCTTGCACCCGCTCTTC  
CysSerThrValLeuProLeuTyrHisLysHisTyrIleLeuPheCysThrThrValPhe 211

654 ACCCTGCTCCTGCTTCCATCGTCACTCTCTACTGCAGGATCTACTCCTTGGTGAGGACT  
ThrLeuLeuLeuSerIleValIleLeuTyrCysArgIleTyrSerLeuValArgThr 231

714 CGAAGCCCGCCTGACCTTCCGCAAGAACATCTCAAGGCCAGCGCAGTTCCGAGAAG  
ArgSerArgArgLeuThrPheArgLysAsnIleSerLysAlaSerArgSerSerGluLys 251

774 TCTCTGGCCTTGCTGAAGACAGTGATCATTTGCTGAGTGTCTTTCATTCCTGCTGGGCC  
SerLeuAlaLeuLeuLysThrValIleIleValLeuSerValPheIleAlaCysTrpAla 271

834 CCTCTCTTCATCTACTATTTTAGATGTGGGTGCAAGCGAAGACCTGTGACATCCTG  
ProLeuPheIleLeuLeuLeuLeuAspValGlyCysLysAlaLysThrCysAspIleLeu 291

894 TACAAAGCAGAGTACTTCTGTTCTGGTGTGCTGGAACCTCAGGTACCAACCCCATCATC  
TyrLysAlaGluTyrPheLeuValLeuAlaValLeuAsnSerGlyThrAsnProIleIle 311

954 TACACTCTGACCAATAAGGAGATGCGCCGGCCTTCATCAGGATCATATCTTGTGCAAA  
TyrThrLeuThrAsnLysGluMetArgArgAlaPheIleArgIleIleSerCysCysLys 331

1114 TGCCCCAACGGAGACTCCGCTGGCAATTCAGAGGCCCATCATCCCGGCATGGAATTT  
CysProAsnGlyAspSerAlaGlyLysPheLysArgProIleIleProGlyMetGluPhe 351

1194 AGCCGCAGCAATCAGACAACCTCTCCACCCCAAGAGGATGATGGGACAAATCCAGAG  
SerArgSerLysSerAspAsnSerSerHisProGlnLysAspAspGlyAspAsnProGlu 371

1254 ACCATTATGTCTTCTGGAAACGTCAATTCTTCTTAAACCGGAAGCTGTTGATACTG  
ThrIleMetSerSerGlyAsnValAsnSerSerSer\*\*\* 383

FIG. 7B

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1314 TTGATCTGGCTTCATCACTCACTACCCCTAGCATTTCAAAAACATCTCTTCTCCACT  
1374 GCTGCAAGGAAGCAGCCGGAGCCTGAGAGAGGGAAGGAGAATGTGCGGCTT  
1434 GGTGATACCATGTTGTAGGTATGATTATGAACAATGCCCTGGGAAGGTGGAGAT  
1494 CAGATCTGCCCTGCAGAGGGTTCTGCCCCCTCCCTAATCTCTTCACTTCCCTCAGTCGTT  
1554 TCTGTTATCCCCCATACTCTTTTCTTTCTCCTCGTTTCTCTCATTTCCCCTTCTCTACC  
1614 ATCGCTTTCTTTCTCTTTTAAATTTTGGGGCAACAAAAGGAATCCCAAAATGGA  
1674 TATTGTGGAACAACATAGTCTGAATGACGGCAAGAATGGTGTAAATCAAAAGATAAAT  
1734 TAACTTCATAAGACTGCTATTCTGAAATGCAACAATCTTGTACAGTCAGGACTGATAAAA  
1794 TGGAGCAATCAGACATTTCCAGATGCCCGTCAATGTAAATCACCTACTTGAAACATGTAT  
1854 GCAATACATTCACACAAAAAGCAAACTAGCCCTATTGAAACAATACTGAACATTCAT  
1914 AAATACTCATGGTTTCACTCTGTCCAGCGCCCTAAGGACTATGCTGCTGTAATACAGGAA  
1974 AACACAGCGGATGCCCTCCTCTATTAAATGTCACTCAAGAAAAAGTCTCTTGTAAACGTAAA  
2034 GGCAAAACACATGTAGCTACTGAGCTATGACTGTCCCTTGGTCACACTCTATGGGAAAAACA  
2094 CCGGACTCCAC

FIG. 7C

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## MOLECULAR CLONING AND EXPRESSION OF G-PROTEIN COUPLED RECEPTORS

This is a continuation of application Ser. No. 08/196,989, filed Feb. 15, 1994 now U.S. Pat No. 5,585,476.

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### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The development of multicellular organisms requires the orchestration of many precisely coordinated events involving cell-type specific growth, proliferation, differentiation, migration, and cell death. Not surprisingly, intercellular communication plays critical roles in these processes. Although the molecular mechanisms involved in this communication are in general poorly understood, this research field is characterized by increasingly rapid progress initiated by the realization that viral oncogenes are, in many cases, transformed versions of cellular genes (proto-oncogenes) that participate in the intercellular communication directing development. Furthermore, it has been established that many non-viral forms of cancer also result from transformation of genes involved in signal transduction (e.g. growth factors, growth factor receptors, and transcription factors).

A large number of mammalian growth factor receptors have been cloned and many are recognized proto-oncogenes (Yarden and Ullrich, 1988). Most of these cloned receptors are members of a superfamily of integral membrane proteins with intrinsic, growth factor-inducible, tyrosine kinase activity. An extensive research literature now documents the critical roles these receptors play in cell proliferation, differentiation, and malignant transformation. However, multiple lines of evidence suggest that members of the G-protein coupled receptor (GPR) superfamily may also participate in mammalian development and oncogenesis. For example, both the yeast *S. cerevisiae* and the slime mold *D. discoideum* express GPRs that regulate cell differentiation (Devreotes, 1989; Sprague, 1991). In addition, mammalian mitogenesis and cell proliferation are affected by several peptides and neurotransmitters which are known to interact with GPRs (Hanley, 1989; Zachary et al., 1987).

Perhaps the most direct evidence linking GPRs with ontogeny and cancer has been provided by the ectopic expression of GPRs in tissue culture cells. Thus, the mas oncogene encodes a putative GPR ( $p^{mas}$ ) and leads to malignant transformation when transfected into NIH3T3 mouse fibroblasts cells (Young et al., 1986). In addition, several serotonin and muscarinic acetylcholine receptors (all GPRs) also produce this malignant transformation if ectopically expressed in NIH3T3 cells and stimulated by their respective ligands (Gutkind et al., 1991; Julius et al., 1989; Julius et al., 1990). While these data illustrate that GPRs can greatly influence cell proliferation and morphology, the GPRs that were studied are unlikely to be involved in these processes in vivo because they reside in fully differentiated, postmitotic cells such as neurons where serotonergic receptors, muscarinic receptors, and most likely  $p^{mas}$  regulate the changing electrical properties of neuronal membranes involved in neurotransmission. However, these data support the possibility that other GPRs are expressed in vivo in immature cells where they regulate proliferation and differentiation. Furthermore, these data suggest that some forms of cancer may result from mutations or viral infections that lead to improper functioning, activation, or expres-

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sion of such GPRs. Thus, identification and characterization of such receptors should significantly advance both the study of normal development as well as the search for diagnostic and therapeutic tools in oncology.

### BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The subject invention concerns the cloning and sequencing of cDNAs and the proteins encoded by those cDNAs. The cDNAs encode novel polypeptides that are members of the G-protein coupled receptor (GPR) superfamily. The proteins encoded by the DNAs of the subject invention are involved in the regulation of cell proliferation and/or differentiation in vivo. The subject protein receptors are endogenously expressed in various tissues and cell lines.

Specifically, the subject invention concerns the cloning and sequencing of a rat cDNA (H218) that encodes a novel GPR designated  $p^{H218}$ . Further included in the subject invention are mammalian homologs, including the human homolog of the H218 cDNA. The H218 cDNA was used to determine that H218 mRNA is expressed in all developing organs tested and in seven out of seven cell lines tested. In addition, in the brain, H218 mRNA is much more highly expressed during a period of extensive proliferation and differentiation (embryogenesis) than a period of very limited cell proliferation and differentiation (adulthood), suggesting that  $p^{H218}$  does not function as a neurotransmitter receptor. Rather,  $p^{H218}$  functions as a growth factor ligand receptor.

The subject invention further concerns antibodies from animals immunized with peptides derived from  $p^{H218}$  GPR. Purified antibody made against one of the peptides recognizes a protein having an apparent molecular weight of 50-55 kDa as determined by Western blot analysis.

The subject invention also concerns cDNA of the rat-edg gene. Rat-edg cDNA encodes a GPR,  $p^{rat-edg}$ . The  $p^{rat-edg}$  can be activated by some of the same ligand(s) that activate  $p^{H218}$ . By identifying compounds that specifically activate or inhibit this class of receptors one can develop unique, pharmaceutical therapies that effectively treat some forms of cancer.

A further aspect of the subject invention concerns polynucleotide molecules that are antisense to mRNA of H218 and rat-edg. The antisense polynucleotide molecules can be used to reduce or inhibit the expression of the subject protein by binding to the complementary mRNA transcripts.

The subject invention also concerns methods of use for the polynucleotide sequences, the encoded proteins, peptide fragments thereof, polynucleotide molecules that are antisense to the H218 and rat-edg sequences, and antibodies that bind to the proteins and peptides. Such use includes diagnostic and therapeutic applications of the subject invention.

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 shows the nucleotide and deduced amino acid sequence of H218 cDNA. The sequence was compiled from that of "H2" cDNA (nucleotides 16 to 2505) and "18" cDNA (nucleotides -155 to 288) which are identical throughout the region of overlap. A black box highlights the optimal consensus sequence for translation initiation. A potential polyadenylation signal is double-underlined and a consensus sequence associated with mRNA instability is boxed. Repetitive nucleic acid sequences in the 3' untranslated region are underlined. An arrow designates a predicted N-glycosylation site. A consensus sequence for proline directed kinases is underlined with a broken line. Brackets below the amino acid sequence indicate possible nucleotide



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binding site components in the carboxy-terminal and "third cytoplasmic loop" domains respectively.

FIG. 2 shows a comparison of  $p^{H218}$  with other G-protein coupled receptors. Black boxes highlight residues identical to  $p^{H218}$  residues. D2=D2 dopaminergic receptor;  $\beta 2$ = $\beta 2$  adrenergic receptor;  $\alpha 2$ = $\alpha 2$  adrenergic receptor; 5HT1A=1A serotonergic receptor; M1=M1 muscarinic receptor; SK=substance K receptor. The numbers in parentheses indicate the number of omitted residues.

FIG. 3 shows an X-ray autoradiograph of a Northern blot illustrating the ontogenic regulation of H218 mRNA levels in the rat brain. Poly-A RNA was extracted from whole rat brain at embryonic days 12, 15, 18, Birth, postnatal days 7, 21, 35, and 80 (adult). The resulting blot was probed for H218 mRNA (panel A), stripped, and then probed with a cyclophilin cDNA (panel B) to control for variation in extraction, loading, and transfer (brain cyclophilin mRNA levels are reported to be stable from E12 to adult). The relative intensity of the cyclophilin bands have consistently paralleled results obtained from probing the same blots with an oligo-dT probe designed to hybridize to all mRNA poly-A tails.

FIG. 4 shows an X-ray autoradiograph of a Northern blot illustrating the distribution of H218 mRNA in various tissues of the postnatal day 14 rat. Approximately 20  $\mu$ g of total RNA was loaded per lane. The blot was probed for H218 mRNA (panel A), stripped, and then probed for rat ribosomal RNA (panel B) as an extraction, loading, and transfer control.

FIG. 5 shows an X-ray autoradiograph of a Northern blot illustrating the effect of PMA treatment on H218 mRNA levels in RJK88 fibroblasts. Poly-A RNA was extracted from 2 independent 100 mm plates of cells treated with PMA for 2 hrs (PMA) or 2 parallel plates of cells treated with vehicle (CONTROL). The resulting blot was probed for H218 mRNA (panel A), stripped, and then probed for cyclophilin mRNA (panel B) as an extraction, loading, and transfer control. Lanes are presented in pairs based on their relative mRNA content (as indicated by the cyclophilin data).

FIG. 6 shows an X-ray autoradiograph of a Northern blot illustrating the effect of NGF treatment on H218 mRNA levels in PC12 cells. Poly-A RNA was extracted from 4 independent 100 mm plates of cells treated with NGF for either 1, 4, or 8 hrs or with a vehicle (CONTROL). The blot was probed for H218 mRNA (panel A), stripped, and then probed for cyclophilin mRNA (panel B) as an extraction, loading, and transfer control.

FIG. 7 shows the nucleotide and deduced amino acid sequence of rat-edg cDNA. An ATTAA motif is boxed in black.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEQUENCES

SEQ ID NO.1 is the nucleotide sequence of the  $p^{H218}$  cDNA.

SEQ ID NO.2 is the deduced amino acid sequence of the  $p^{H218}$  protein encoded by the H218 cDNA.

SEQ ID NO.3 is the nucleotide sequence of the rat-edg cDNA.

SEQ ID NO.4 is the deduced amino acid sequence of the  $p^{rat-edg}$  protein encoded by the rat-edg cDNA.

SEQ ID NO.5 is the amino acid sequence of a synthetic  $p^{H218}$  peptide designated peptide 1.

SEQ ID NO.6 is the amino acid sequence of a synthetic  $p^{H218}$  peptide designated peptide 2.

SEQ ID NO.7 is the amino acid sequence of a synthetic pH218 peptide designated peptide 3.

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SEQ ID NO.8 is the amino acid sequence of a synthetic  $p^{H218}$  peptide designated peptide 4.

SEQ ID NO.9 is the amino acid sequence of a D2 dopaminergic receptor.

SEQ ID NO.10 is the amino acid sequence of a  $\beta 2$  adrenergic receptor.

SEQ ID NO.11 is the amino acid sequence of a  $\alpha 2$  adrenergic receptor.

SEQ ID NO.12 is the amino acid sequence of a 1A serotonergic receptor.

SEQ ID NO.13 is the amino acid sequence of a M1 muscarinic receptor.

SEQ ID NO.14 is the amino acid sequence of a substance K receptor.

#### Detailed Disclosure of the Invention

The subject invention concerns novel cDNAs (H218 and rat-edg) that encode G-protein coupled receptors. The proteins, designated  $p^{H218}$  and  $p^{rat-edg}$ , play important roles in cell proliferation and differentiation, and in disease states such as cancer.

The H218 cDNA has been sequenced (SEQ ID NO.1) and the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide that it encodes determined (SEQ ID NO.2) (FIG. 1). The H218 cDNA contains a 1056 bp open reading frame that encodes a polypeptide of 352 amino acids. The 3' untranslated region of H218 cDNA contains repetitive sequences, a consensus sequence for mRNA instability, and a series of terminal adenosines preceded by a potential polyadenylation site. The predicted cytoplasmic regions of pH218 contain potential nucleotide binding site components and a consensus sequence for proline directed kinases involved in cell division and growth factor responses.

Analysis of the deduced amino acid sequence of  $p^{H218}$  revealed that it is a member of the GPR superfamily (FIG. 2). Several features of  $p^{H218}$  are common to all other GPRs, including: 1) seven regions of hydrophobicity which are predicted to act as membrane spanning domains, 2) a consensus sequence for N-linked glycosylation in its predicted N-terminal extracellular domain, and 3) a conserved cysteine residue and several serine and threonine residues in its predicted intracellular C-terminal domain. In addition,  $p^{H218}$  contains many other residues which are highly conserved among most GPRs. However,  $p^{H218}$  is distinct from these GPRs in that it does not contain certain highly conserved residues. Perhaps most notable are the aspartate and tyrosine residues at the cytoplasmic end of the third transmembrane domain, and the cysteine residue at the extracellular end of the same transmembrane domain.

$p^{H218}$  affects the course of cellular proliferation and/or differentiation events. Of all cloned proteins,  $p^{H218}$  is most homologous to human  $p^{edg}$ , a putative GPR implicated in endothelial cell differentiation. The possibility of a direct interaction between  $p^{H218}$  and growth-related intracellular proteins is suggested by the similarity between the predicted cytoplasmic region of  $p^{H218}$  and motifs of the src homology domain 2 (SH2) found in many cytoplasmic proteins that are critically involved in growth-related signal transduction, including several proteins encoded by oncogenes.

A further aspect of the subject invention concerns polynucleotide molecules which encode the human homolog of the rat H218 gene. Human cDNAs that hybridize with H218 cDNA were isolated from a human embryonic brain cDNA library. These polynucleotide molecules can be used to express the human counterpart of  $p^{H218}$ . Antibodies can then

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be raised against the expressed protein, or peptide fragments thereof. The polynucleotide molecules, proteins, and antibodies of the human homolog of  $p^{H218}$  can be used in both diagnostic and therapeutic applications.

A further aspect of the subject invention concerns antibodies raised against synthetic peptides of  $p^{H218}$ . These peptides, designated as 1, 2, 3, and 4 (and corresponding to SEQ ID NO.5, SEQ ID NO.6, SEQ ID NO.7, and SEQ ID NO.8, respectively), correspond to separate extracellular and intracellular regions of  $p^{H218}$ . These peptides and their amino acid sequence are shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1

Amino Acid Sequences of $p^{H218}$ peptides		
$p^{H218}$ peptide		Sequence
peptide 1	SEQ ID NO. 5	KETLDMOETPSR
peptide 2	SEQ ID NO. 6	YSEYLNPEKVQE
peptide 3	SEQ ID NO. 7	RQKGATGRRGG
peptide 4	SEQ ID NO. 8	RSSSLERGLHM

Polyclonal antibodies that react with the antigen peptides were raised in rabbits immunized with the respective peptide. Each antibody recognizes by an ELISA assay the specific peptide used as the immunogen. One of the antibodies, from a rabbit immunized with peptide 1 (SEQ ID NO.5), was affinity purified and used in a Western blot with antigens from a cell line that expresses H218 mRNA. This antibody recognized a band of 50 to 55 kDa, and a band of 180 to 200 kDa in the Western blot. These antibodies can be used for detecting and purifying the  $p^{H218}$  protein through standard procedures known in the art. The antibodies can also be used for localization of  $p^{H218}$  in tissues using immunohistochemical techniques known in the art.

The subject invention further contemplates the use of the protein and peptides to generate both polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies. Thus, monoclonal antibodies to  $p^{H218}$ , and peptide fragments thereof, can be produced using the teachings provided herein in combination with procedures that are well known in the art. Such antibodies can be produced in several host systems, including mouse, rat, and human.

Also included within the scope of the invention are binding fragments of the antibodies of the subject invention. Fab,  $F(ab')_2$ , and Fv fragments may be obtained by conventional techniques, such as proteolytic digestion of the antibodies by papain or pepsin, or through standard genetic engineering techniques using polynucleotide sequences that encode binding fragments of the antibodies of the subject invention.

A further aspect of the subject invention concerns the cloning and sequencing of the rat homolog of the human *edg* gene, which also encodes a GPR. This rat gene, designated *rat-edg*, is similar in sequence to the human *edg* gene. The *rat-edg* cDNA (SEQ ID NO.3) encodes a protein,  $p^{rat-edg}$  (SEQ ID NO.4). The  $p^{rat-edg}$  protein also has several features in common with other members of the GPR superfamily including 1) seven hydrophobic regions presumed to act as transmembrane domains, 2) a putative N-glycosylation site in the N-terminal domain, 3) putative phosphorylation sites in cytoplasmic domains, and 4) a conserved cysteine residue in the C-terminal domain.

The subject invention also concerns polynucleotide molecules having sequences that are antisense to mRNA transcripts of H218 and *rat-edg* polynucleotides. An administration of an antisense polynucleotide molecule can block the production of the protein encoded by H218 or *rat-edg*.

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The techniques for preparing antisense polynucleotide molecules, and administering such molecules are known in the art. For example, antisense polynucleotide molecules can be encapsulated into liposomes for fusion with cells.

As is well known in the art, the genetic code is redundant in that certain amino acids are coded for by more than one nucleotide triplet (codon). The subject invention includes those polynucleotide sequences which encode the same amino acids using a different codon from that specifically exemplified in the sequences herein. Such a polynucleotide sequence is referred to herein as an "equivalent" polynucleotide sequence. Thus, the scope of the subject invention includes not only the specific polynucleotide sequences depicted herein, but also all equivalent polynucleotide sequences encoding the polypeptides of the subject invention, and fragments or variants thereof.

The polynucleotide sequences of the subject invention can be prepared according to the teachings contained herein, or by synthesis of oligonucleotide fragments, for example by using a "gene machine" using procedures well known in the art.

The polypeptides of the subject invention can be prepared by expression of the cDNAs in a compatible host cell using an expression vector containing the polynucleotide sequences of the subject invention. The polypeptides can then be purified from the host cell using standard purification techniques that are well known in the art. Alternatively, the polypeptides of the subject invention can be chemically synthesized using solid phase peptide synthesis techniques known in the art.

The polypeptides of the subject invention can be used as molecular weight markers, as an immunogen for generating antibodies, and as an inert protein in certain assays. The polynucleotide molecules of the subject invention can be used as DNA molecular weight markers, as a chromosome marker, and as a marker for the gene on the chromosome.

The term "polynucleotide sequences" when used in reference to the subject invention can include all or a portion of the cDNA. Similarly, polynucleotide sequences of the subject invention also includes variants, including allelic variations or polymorphisms of the genes. The polynucleotide sequences of the invention may be composed of either RNA or DNA. More preferably, the polynucleotide sequences of the subject invention are composed of DNA.

As used herein, the term "isolated" means, in the case of polynucleotide sequences, that the sequence is no longer linked or associated with other polynucleotide sequences with which it would naturally occur. Thus, the claimed polynucleotide sequences can be inserted into a plasmid or other vector, to form a recombinant DNA cloning vector. The cloning vector may be of bacterial or viral origin. The vector may be designed for the expression of the polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide sequence. The vector may be transformed or transfected or otherwise inserted into a host cell. The host cell may be either prokaryotic or eukaryotic, and would include bacteria, yeast, insect cells, and mammalian cells. For example, a bacterial host cell may be *E. coli*, and a mammalian host cell may be the PC12 cell line.

As used herein, the term "isolated" means, in the case of proteins, obtaining the protein in a form other than that which occurs in nature. This may be, for example, obtaining  $p^{H218}$  by purifying and recovering the protein from a host cell transformed to express the recombinant protein. In the case of antibodies, "isolated" refers to antibodies, which, through the hand of man, have been produced or removed from their natural setting. Thus, isolated antibodies of the

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subject invention would include antibodies raised as the result of purposeful administration of the proteins, or peptide fragments thereof, of the subject invention in an appropriate host.

The various genetic engineering methods employed herein are well known in the art, and are described in Sambrook, J., et al (1989) *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York. Thus, it is within the skill of those in the genetic engineering art to screen cDNA libraries, perform restriction enzyme digestions, electrophorese DNA fragments, tail and ancal vector and insert DNA, ligate DNA, transform or transfect host cells, prepare vector DNA, electrophorese proteins, sequence DNA, perform Northern, Southern and Western blotting, and perform PCR techniques.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

##### Cloning of H218 cDNA.

A "LAMBDA ZAP" cDNA library (Stratagene, La Jolla, Calif.) constructed using rat hippocampal RNA was screened at medium stringency with a 926 bp 5' EcoRI-Bgl II 3' fragment of a D2 dopamine receptor cDNA (MacLennan et al., 1990). The cDNA was labeled with <sup>32</sup>P by random hexamer priming. Nitrocellulose filters were incubated for 2 hrs at 42° C. in 5X SSPE (1X SSPE=0.15M NaCl, 12 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>•H<sub>2</sub>O, 1 mM EDTA, pH 7.4), 40% formamide, 0.15% SDS, 5X Denhardt's solution, 100 µg/ml denatured salmon sperm DNA, and 2 µg/ml polyadenylic acid. The filters were then incubated overnight in the same solution at 42° C. with the probe added (approximately 10<sup>6</sup> cpm/ml). The filters were washed two times for 15 minutes each at room temperature in 2X SSC (standard saline citrate buffer: 1X SSC=0.15M NaCl, 0.015M sodium citrate, pH 7.2), followed by two washes for 45 minutes each at 42° C. in 2X SSC.

In order to exclude D2 receptor cDNAs from analysis, all hybridizing phage were screened at high stringency with four oligodeoxynucleotide probes designed to specifically recognize D2 dopamine receptor cDNAs (MacLennan et al., 1990). All phage that hybridized to the oligonucleotides were eliminated from further rounds of purification. All other phage that hybridized to the cDNA probe were purified, converted into "BLUESCRIPT" plasmids (Stratagene) according to the manufacturer's automatic excision protocol, and evaluated by restriction digests and gel electrophoresis. Sequence analysis revealed that one of the hybridizing cDNAs, designated "H2", encodes a portion of a putative G-protein coupled receptor (GPR), based on sequence comparisons to other GPRs.

A modified polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique was used to clone the 5' cDNA for the H218 cDNA (Loh et al., 1989). H2 cDNA extends 2.6 kb to a 5' end that encodes part of the presumed extracellular N-terminal domain of the receptor. Thus, an oligodeoxynucleotide corresponding to the antisense strand of H2 (nucleotides 288 to 312 of H218) primed the first strand cDNA synthesis with MMLV Reverse Transcriptase (Gibco-BRL, Gaithersburg, Md.). Poly-A RNA extracted from postnatal day 14 (P14) rat lung served as a template. Terminal Deoxynucleotidyl Transferase (Gibco-BRL) was used to "tail" the resulting cDNA with guanines. The cDNA was then subjected to 35 rounds of PCR amplification with "AMPLITAQ" DNA polymerase (Perkin-Elmer, Branchburg, N.J.) The reaction was primed with an internal H2 specific primer containing antisense strand nucleotides 263 to 288 of H218 and a primer containing a poly-cytosine sequence. The resulting "18" cDNA was subcloned into a "BLUESCRIPT" plasmid (Stratagene) by exploiting restriction sites designed into the 5' ends of the PCR primers.

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The "H2" and "18" cDNA fragments were then spliced together to form a 2.75 kb cDNA (designated "H218") containing a complete open reading frame (ORF) of 1052 bp that encodes a polypeptide of 352 amino acids.

##### Characterization of cDNA Clones

The nucleotide sequences of both strands of the H218 cDNA were determined by the dideoxy chain termination technique (Sanger et al., 1977). The T7 Sequencing kit (Pharmacia, Piscataway, N.J.) was used with denatured, double-stranded cDNAs in "BLUESCRIPT" plasmids serving as templates.

##### Tissue Preparation

For RNA preparations, Long Evans rats were killed by decapitation and their brains were immediately removed and dissected. Individual brain regions were frozen in liquid nitrogen. Rats and embryos of both sexes were used in the developmental study. Brains taken from embryos are designated with an "E" and those taken postnatally are designated with a "P" For example, a brain removed 20 days after birth would be P20.

##### RNA Preparation, Electrophoresis and Blotting

Frozen, dissected brain regions were pooled. The "FASTIRACK" kit (Invitrogen Corp., San Diego, Calif.) was used to extract Poly-A RNA from tissue culture cells and brain tissue used in the developmental study. Total RNA was extracted by homogenization in 4M guanidine thiocyanate followed by centrifugation through 5.7M CsCl according to the method of Chirgwin (Chirgwin et al., 1979). The RNA was purified by repeated ethanol precipitations, and its concentration was estimated spectrophotometrically from A<sub>260</sub>. All RNA samples were stored at -20° C. as ethanol precipitates.

RNA (1-10µg of Poly-A or 20 µg of total) was denatured in 50% deionized formamide, 6.0% formaldehyde at 65° C. for 5 min and then size-fractionated by electrophoresis on a horizontal agarose gel (1.25%) containing 6.0% formaldehyde. The RNA was subsequently transferred to nylon membranes (ICN BIOTRANS membrane), which were then dried and baked at 80° C. for 2 hours under vacuum. Membranes were prehybridized for 2 hrs at 42° C. in 5X SSC, 50% formamide, 0.5% SDS, 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.5) containing 250 µg/ml denatured salmon sperm DNA, 5X Denhardt's solution, and 100 µg/ml polyadenylic acid. The H2 cDNA probe was then <sup>32</sup>P-labeled by random hexamer priming, and added to the prehybridization solution. After hybridization at 42° C. overnight, the membranes were washed twice for 30 min at room temperature in 2X SSC and twice for 45 min at 60° C. in 0.1X SSC, 0.1% SDS.

Membranes were exposed to X-ray film with two intensifying screens at -80° C. for several different time intervals in order to ensure that all comparisons were made within the linear sensitivity range of the film. The probe was then removed from the membranes by washing at 65° C. in 50% formamide, 10 mM sodium phosphate, pH 6.5%, for 1 hour. Stripped blots were rinsed in 2X SSC, 0.1% SDS and exposed to film to check for complete removal of probe. To correct for possible intersample variability in extraction, loading, or transfer of the RNA, the membranes were probed with <sup>32</sup>P-labeled rat cDNA that recognizes ribosomal RNA or with a rat cyclophilin cDNA. Brain cyclophilin mRNA levels are reported to be stable during brain development (Danielson et al., 1988).

##### Tissue Culture

Cells were grown on plates in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Media (DMEM) containing 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS), with the exception of PC12 cells which were grown in RPMI media containing 10% horse serum and 5% FBS. Tissue



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culture cells were washed with 1X PBS, pH 7.4 while anchored to plates, mechanically dislodged, and collected by centrifugation for RNA extraction.

#### Antibody Production

Four peptides having amino acid sequences based on the deduced sequence of p<sup>H218</sup>, and that correspond to separate extracellular and intracellular regions of p<sup>H218</sup> were synthesized by the Interdisciplinary Center for Biotechnology Research Core lab at the University of Florida. Rabbits were immunized with the peptides and antiserum prepared according to standard methods. Antisera (designated "1A") from the rabbit immunized with peptide 1 (SEQ ID NO.5) was purified by precipitation with 4.1M saturated ammonium sulfate at 25° C. overnight. The precipitate was dissolved in PBS and dialyzed against several changes of PBS. The 1A antibody was then affinity purified over a CNBr-Sepharose affinity column (Sigma Chemical, St. Louis, Mo.) to which the peptide 1 (SEQ ID NO.5) had been attached. Antibody was eluted with 0.1M glycine, pH 2.5.

#### Western Blotting

Crude cellular protein extract or membrane preparations from cell lines that express H218 mRNA were loaded onto a SDS-PAGE gel and electrophoresed. The proteins were then transferred to nitrocellulose paper and reacted with a 1:500 dilution of purified antibody. Rabbit antibody was then detected with a labeled second-step reagent specific for rabbit antibody.

#### Cloning of the rat-edg cDNA

A 1241 bp EcoRI-BamHI fragment of H2 cDNA was labeled with <sup>32</sup>P by random hexamer priming and used to screen approximately 7.5x10<sup>5</sup> cerebellar cDNAs of a rat cerebellar λ-ZAP library at medium stringency. The final hybridization wash was for 45 minutes at 47° C. in 2X SSC. Hybridizing clones were isolated for further evaluation. Purified clones were transferred into "BLUESCRIPT" plasmids (Stratagene) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Denatured double-stranded plasmids were sequenced by the dideoxy chain termination method (Sanger et al., 1977).

The following are examples which illustrate procedures and processes, including the best mode, for practicing the invention. These examples should not be construed as limiting, and are not intended to be a delineation of all possible modifications to the technique. All percentages are by weight and all solvent mixture proportions are by volume unless otherwise noted.

#### Example 1—Cloning and Sequence Analysis of H218

A rat hippocampal cDNA library was screened at medium stringency with a rat D2 dopamine receptor cDNA. One of the hybridizing cDNAs, designated "H2", encodes all but a few amino-terminal residues of a novel G-protein coupled receptor. A cDNA, designated "18", encoding the remaining amino-terminal residues was isolated using a modified PCR technique. The H218 cDNA was prepared from the two independent, overlapping cDNA clones "H2" and "18" which were isolated as described above. The H2 and 18 cDNAs were spliced together to yield a 2.75 kb cDNA containing a complete 1056 bp ORF encoding 352 amino acids. The corresponding gene will be referred to herein as H218, and the encoded GPR protein as pH218. The nucleotide sequence and the amino acid sequence that it encodes are shown in FIG. 1. The series of cytosines at the 5' end of the clone result from the PCR procedure used to isolate the "18" cDNA. A database search revealed that p<sup>H218</sup> is clearly a member of the GPR superfamily (FIG. 2).

#### Example 2—H218 mRNA Expression in Brain Tissue

Poly-A RNA was extracted from whole rat brain at multiple stages of development ranging from embryonic day

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12 (E12) to postnatal day 80 (P80; adult). A Northern blot of the rat RNA was probed with the complete H2 cDNA. The blot was washed at progressively higher stringencies and exposed to X-ray film after each wash. The autoradiograph revealed an approximately 3.2 kb transcript at all stages of development (FIG. 3). However, H218 mRNA levels are much higher during brain embryogenesis than during later periods of brain development. This pattern indicates that H218 plays a role in cell proliferation and/or differentiation, which is prevalent during brain embryogenesis, rather than in neurotransmission, which is prevalent later in brain development. However, the H218 gene may be involved during all of these processes.

The autoradiographs following the high stringency wash also contain other bands and/or smears, primarily in the E15 and E18 lanes. These signals displayed a preferential reduction in intensity (relative to the 3.2 kb band) during the series of progressively higher stringency washes leading up to the high stringency wash. Therefore, they most likely represent DNA contamination and/or abundant cross hybridizing mRNAs that are related, but not identical, to H218 mRNA. It is also possible that they may partially represent additional ontogenetically regulated H218 transcripts. However, in a smaller scale Northern blot experiment which examined only E15, E18, and P14 brain H218 mRNA, a single 3.2 kb band at E15 and E18 was detected.

#### Example 3—H218 mRNA Expression in Other Tissue

A Northern blot analysis of total RNA extracted from various organs of the postnatal day 14 (P14) rat was performed. The blot was probed with the H2 cDNA and washed at high stringency. A 3.2 kb H218 mRNA transcript was present in all tissues examined (FIG. 4). The H218 mRNA was most abundant in the lung. Less was found in the kidney, gut, and skin. A very low level of expression was detected in the spleen, brain and liver. This widespread distribution of H218 mRNA expression outside the brain at this stage of development is consistent with pH218 role in cell proliferation and/or differentiation.

#### Example 4—H218 mRNA Expression in Cell Lines

Northern blots were performed using poly-A RNA extracted from seven cell lines. The blots were probed with the H2 cDNA, washed at high stringency, and exposed to X-ray film. H218 mRNA was detected in all rodent cell lines examined. Thus, H218 mRNA is synthesized in B104 rat neuroblastoma cells, C6 rat glioma cells, PC12 rat pheochromocytoma cells, NB41A3 mouse neuroblastoma cells, D6P2T rat Schwannoma cells, NIH3T3 mouse fibroblasts, and RJK88 Chinese hamster fibroblasts. In all cases a prominent 3.2 kb band was observed after the high stringency wash, indicating that the sequence and size of the H218 mRNA transcript is highly conserved among mammals. The relative intensity of the band for each cell line is shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2

Relative H218 mRNA concentrations in cell lines	
B104 rat neuroblastoma cells	+++
PC12 rat pheochromocytoma cells	++
C6 rat glioma cells	+++
D6P2T rat Schwannoma cells	++
NB41A3 mouse neuroblastoma cells	+
NIH3T3 mouse fibroblasts	++
RJK88 hamster fibroblasts	++

Of the cells lines and tissue samples examined, H218 mRNA is most abundant in the B104 neuroblastoma cells and the C6 glioma cells. The presence of relatively high



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concentrations of H218 mRNA in these primitive transformed cells further confirms that the H218 gene is expressed in the early stages of development.

Example 5—Manipulation of H218 mRNA levels using PMA and Nerve Growth Factor

RJK88 Chinese hamster fibroblasts were grown to approximately 80% confluence in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Media (DMEM) containing 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS). The cells were then "serum-deprived" in DMEM containing 0.5% FBS for 2 days and subsequently treated with phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA) at a final concentration of 200 ng/ml. Poly-A RNA was extracted 2 hrs after the initiation of PMA treatment. Control RJK88 cells (processed in parallel with PMA treated cells) were grown, serum-deprived, treated with the vehicle for PMA and extracted. A Northern blot performed using the RNA was probed with the H2 cDNA and washed under high stringency conditions. H218 mRNA was undetectable in the serum-deprived, "quiescent" control cells but was clearly present in the cells treated with PMA (FIG. 5).

The nerve growth factor (NGF)-induced differentiation of PC12 rat pheochromocytoma cells from a phenotype resembling proliferating, immature adrenal chromaffin cells to a phenotype resembling differentiated sympathetic neurons has been widely employed as a model of neuronal differentiation. A Northern blot was used to determine whether H218 expression in PC12 cells is affected by NGF stimulation. PC12 cells were grown in RPMI media supplemented with 5% FBS and 10% horse serum. The cells were then serum-deprived in RPMI media containing 0.3% FBS and 0.7% horse serum and treated with NGF (50 ng/ml, 2.5 S) 24 hours later. Poly-A RNA was extracted following 1, 4, or 8 hours of the NGF treatment. Control cells (processed in parallel) were treated identically except they received NGF vehicle instead of NGF. A Northern blot using the RNA was probed with the H2 cDNA and washed at high stringency.

NGF treatment rapidly decreases H218 mRNA concentrations in PC12 cells (FIG. 6). H218 mRNA levels (densitometrically quantitated and normalized to cyclophilin mRNA levels) decreased by 39%, 54%, and 33% following NGF treatment of 1, 4, and 8 hours respectively, but returned to normal by 24 hours of continuous NGF treatment. The apparently transient nature of the H218 mRNA decrease in PC12 cells is unlikely the result of any NGF lability given that 1) NGF is a stable compound in solution and 2) PC12 cells treated with NGF that is only replenished every 2 to 3 days (when the media is exchanged) undergo a continuous differentiation which is reversible upon withdrawal of NGF.

Example 6—Production and Characterization of Anti-p<sup>H218</sup> Antibodies

Rabbit antisera against four p<sup>H218</sup>-derived synthetic peptides and having the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NOS. 5, 6, 7, and 8, respectively, were prepared. All antisera specifically recognize, with high titers, the appropriate immunogen peptide by ELISA assay. One of the antisera, designated 1A, has been affinity purified. The purified 1A antiserum recognizes two p<sup>H218</sup> bands on Western blots of cell lines that express H218 mRNA. Both bands were eliminated when the antiserum was preincubated with the antigen peptide but not when it was preincubated with an equal concentration of an irrelevant control peptide.

In addition, the bands were clearly much more intense from a stable cell line that has been engineered to overexpress p<sup>H218</sup>. The lower (apparent molecular weight of about 50–55 kDa), and weaker, band resulted from monomeric p<sup>H218</sup> molecules since it roughly corresponds in size to the deduced amino acid sequence encoded by the H218 mRNA

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open reading frame. The upper (apparent molecular weight of about 180–200 kDa) and more intense band most likely results from an aggregated form of the protein.

The antibody titer in rabbits injected with p<sup>H218</sup> peptide 1 (SEQ ID NO.5) rises after the first few injections but drops thereafter, even with continued injections. This unexpected drop was not seen in the rabbits injected with other peptides. It is possible that the drop is the result of the anti-p<sup>H218</sup> antibodies in the rabbits blocking the function of p<sup>H218</sup> which, as discussed, may be involved in the cell proliferation events that are required for antibody production.

Example 7—Construction and Characterization of Stable Cell Lines with Increased or Decreased Levels of p<sup>H218</sup>

PC12 cells were transfected with either 1) a vector designed to synthesize H218 mRNA and thereby lead to overexpression of p<sup>H218</sup>, 2) a vector designed to synthesize antisense H218 mRNA and thereby reduce expression of endogenous PC12 cell p<sup>H218</sup>, or 3) the empty vector (as a control). Several stable cell lines derived from each condition were isolated and characterized.

Northern blot analyses indicate that all isolated cell lines designed to overexpress H218 mRNA do express additional H218 mRNA derived from the transfected DNA. The transfected DNA was designed so that the resulting H218 mRNA would differ in size from mature PC12 cell H218 mRNA and therefore can be easily distinguished. Western blot analysis on one of the lines expressing the most H218 mRNA indicate that this line expressed significantly more p<sup>H218</sup> than vector transfected control lines.

Nerve growth factor (NGF) and basic fibroblast growth factor (bFGF) cause PC12 cells to differentiate from a phenotype resembling proliferating, immature cells to a phenotype resembling differentiated sympathetic neurons. This system has been extensively studied as a model of neuronal development. The effects of NGF and bFGF on our stable cell lines were examined to determine if manipulating p<sup>H218</sup> levels affects PC12 cell differentiation. The morphology of the cell lines was qualitatively recorded in two identical experiments by an observer unaware of the identity of the cell lines. The two cell lines overexpressing the most H218 mRNA, including the line shown to overexpress p<sup>H218</sup>, displayed a significantly less pronounced, growth factor induced change in cell body morphology when compared to vector transfected controls. Cell lines containing only a small amount of additional (exogenous DNA derived) H218 mRNA, including a line which does not detectably overexpress p<sup>H218</sup> by Western blot analysis, displayed cell morphology changes indistinguishable from vector transfected controls.

Cell lines transfected with the "antisense" vector displayed a significantly more pronounced growth factor induced change in cell body morphology when compared with vector transfected controls. Therefore, increasing p<sup>H218</sup> levels decreases differentiation while decreasing the expression of p<sup>H218</sup> increases cell differentiation.

Example 8—Cloning of Human H218 Homolog

We have screened a human embryonic brain cDNA library using protocols as described for the cloning of the H218 cDNA and have isolated a cDNA which hybridizes under medium stringency conditions (two 45 minute washes at 42° C. in 2X SSC without formamide) to two non-overlapping fragments of the rat H218 cDNA. The pattern of restriction sites for this novel clone does not match the pattern of restriction sites found with the human edg cDNA clone, and is, therefore, a part of the human homolog of H218.

Example 9—Cloning and Sequence Analysis of rat-edg

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A rat cerebellar cDNA library was screened using the H2 cDNA fragment of H218. The largest hybridizing cDNA was completely sequenced (FIG. 7). This 2234 bp cDNA, designated rat-edg, contains a 1149 bp ORF preceded by three in-frame stop codons. The cDNA contains an ATTTA motif in its 3' untranslated region. This motif has been associated with mRNA degradation. The cDNA will subsequently be referred to herein as rat-edg and the encoded protein as p<sup>rat-edg</sup>.

#### Example 10—Expression of Rat-Edg in RNA in Tissue

The same Northern blot described in Example 2 was stripped and reprobbed with the rat-edg cDNA. The blot was then washed at high stringency and exposed to X-ray film. Bands corresponding to an approximately 3.2 kb transcript were visible in all brain regions examined on the resulting autoradiograph. This size is close to the reported 3.0 kb size of human-edg. In contrast to H218 mRNA, the 3.2 kb rat-edg mRNA is preferentially expressed in later stages of postnatal development since a continual increase in mRNA expression is observed throughout development, with highest levels detected at P80. The 3.2 kb band observed following the high stringency wash was not the result of the rat-edg cDNA probe cross-hybridizing to H218 mRNA because: 1) the 3.2 kb transcript recognized by rat-edg displays a pattern of expression which is different from that of H218 mRNA, and 2) the in vitro transcribed H218 and rat-edg RNAs are specifically recognized on Northern blots by the appropriate probes.

A second set of generally weaker bands corresponding to a 4.9 kb transcript was also detected using the rat-edg cDNA. The 4.9 kb bands were not preferentially washed off during a series of progressively higher stringency washes and have been observed in multiple independent experiments. Therefore, they probably reflect an alternative rat-edg gene transcript. Interestingly, the expression of the 4.9 kb rat-edg RNA does not display an obvious trend during the developmental stages examined, and at E18, it is more abundant than the 3.2 kb transcript. In addition, the 4.9 kb rat-edg RNA was detected solely in brain RNA samples.

In addition, a Northern blot was performed with total RNA extracted from several regions of adult rat brain. The blot was probed with the rat-edg cDNA, washed at high stringency, and exposed to X-ray film. Rat-edg mRNA was comparably expressed in every region examined (i.e., the frontal cortex, striatum, ventral forebrain, hippocampus, cerebellum, and substantia nigra/ventral tegmental area). The 4.9 kb transcript may be preferentially expressed in the cerebellum, ventral forebrain, and frontal cortex.

The same Northern blot described in Example 3 was stripped and reprobbed with the rat-edg cDNA. The blot was washed at high stringency and exposed to X-ray film. At

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P14, rat-edg mRNA is expressed in the lung (approximately the same concentration as adult brain) and at a much lower concentration in the liver, spleen, and possibly kidney. However, in contrast to H218 mRNA, rat-edg mRNA was not detected in the gut or skin. As noted above, no 4.9 kb bands are detected in any of these regions although they were visible in lanes of the same Northern that were loaded with brain RNA.

#### Example 11—Expression of Rat-Edg RNA in Cell Lines

The Northern blots described in Example 4 were stripped and reprobbed with rat-edg cDNA. They were subsequently washed at high stringency and exposed to X-ray film. Like H218 mRNA, rat-edg mRNA is expressed in NIH3T3 cells, C6 rat glioma cells, and rat PC12 pheochromocytoma cells. In contrast to H218 mRNA, rat-edg mRNA was not detected in RJK88 hamster fibroblasts, D6P2T rat Schwannoma cells, NB41A3 mouse neuroblastoma cells, or B104 neuroblastoma cells. Only the 3.2 kb transcript was detected in NIH3T3 and C6 cells, while only the 4.9 kb transcript is detected in PC12 cells.

It should be understood that the examples and embodiments described herein are for illustrative purposes only and that various modifications or changes in light thereof will be suggested to persons skilled in the art and are to be included within the scope and purview of this application and the scope of the appended claims.

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Val	Phe	Ile	Ile	Cys	Trp	Leu	Pro	Ala	Phe	Ser	Ile	Leu	Leu	Leu	Asp	245	250	255	
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Thr Trp Arg Ser Arg Asp Leu Arg Arg Glu Val Leu Arg Pro Leu Leu  
290 295 300

Cys Trp Arg Gln Gly Lys Gly Ala Thr Gly Arg Arg Gly Gly Asn Pro  
305 310 315 320

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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 2232 base pairs  
 ( B ) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: single  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

- ( i x ) FEATURE:  
 ( A ) NAME/KEY: CDS  
 ( B ) LOCATION: 269..1420

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GCC CTC TCG GAC CTG TTA GCA GGA GTG GCT TAC ACA GCT AAC CTG CTG 580  
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( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

( A ) LENGTH: 383 amino acids

( B ) TYPE: amino acid

( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( ii ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

( xi ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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				85					90					95		
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Ser	Thr	Val	Leu	Pro	Leu	Tyr	His	Lys	His	Tyr	Ile	Leu	Phe	Cys	Thr	
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	210					215					220					
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Lys	Thr	Val	Ile	Ile	Val	Leu	Ser	Val	Phe	Ile	Ala	Cys	Trp	Ala	Pro	
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Ser	Gly	Thr	Asn	Pro	Ile	Ile	Tyr	Thr	Leu	Thr	Asn	Lys	Glu	Met	Arg	
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Arg Ala Phe Ile Arg Ile Ile Ser Cys Cys Lys Cys Pro Asn Gly Asp
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      340      345      350
Arg Ser Lys Ser Asp Asn Ser Ser His Pro Gln Lys Asp Asp Gly Asp
      355      360      365
Asn Pro Glu Thr Ile Met Ser Ser Gly Asn Val Asn Ser Ser Ser
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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 12 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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Lys Glu Thr Leu Asp Met Gln Glu Thr Pro Ser Arg
 1      5      10

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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 12 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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Tyr Ser Glu Tyr Leu Asn Pro Glu Lys Val Gln Glu
 1      5      10

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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 12 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 12 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: linear

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

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Arg Ser Ser Ser Ser Leu Glu Arg Gly Leu His Met
 1      5      10

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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

- ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:  
 ( A ) LENGTH: 303 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant



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( D ) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

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Met Asp Pro Leu Asn Leu Ser Trp Tyr Asp Asp Asp Leu Glu Arg Gln
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Asn Trp Ser Arg Pro Phe Asn Gly Ser Glu Gly Lys Ala Asp Arg Pro
 20      25      30
His Tyr Asn Tyr Tyr Ala Met Leu Leu Thr Leu Leu Ile Phe Ile Ile
 35      40      45
Val Phe Gly Asn Val Leu Val Cys Met Ala Val Ser Arg Glu Lys Ala
 50      55      60
Leu Gln Thr Thr Thr Asn Tyr Leu Ile Val Ser Leu Ala Val Ala Asp
 65      70      75      80
Leu Leu Val Ala Thr Leu Val Met Pro Trp Val Val Tyr Leu Glu Val
 85      90      95
Val Gly Glu Trp Lys Phe Ser Arg Ile His Cys Asp Ile Phe Val Thr
100      105      110
Leu Asp Val Met Met Cys Thr Ala Ser Ile Leu Asn Leu Cys Ala Ile
115      120      125
Ser Ile Asp Arg Tyr Thr Ala Val Ala Met Pro Met Leu Tyr Asn Thr
130      135      140
Arg Tyr Ser Ser Lys Arg Arg Val Thr Val Met Ile Ala Ile Val Trp
145      150      155      160
Val Leu Ser Phe Thr Ile Ser Cys Pro Leu Leu Phe Gly Leu Asn Asn
165      170      175
Thr Asp Gln Asn Glu Cys Ile Ile Ala Asn Pro Ala Phe Val Val Tyr
180      185      190
Ser Ser Ile Val Ser Phe Tyr Val Pro Phe Ile Val Thr Leu Leu Val
195      200      205
Tyr Ile Lys Ile Tyr Ile Val Leu Arg Lys Arg Arg Lys Arg Val Asn
210      215      220
Thr Lys Lys Glu Lys Lys Ala Thr Gln Met Leu Ala Ile Val Leu Gly
225      230      235      240
Val Phe Ile Ile Cys Trp Leu Pro Phe Phe Ile Thr His Ile Leu Asn
245      250      255
Ile His Cys Asp Cys Asn Ile Pro Pro Val Leu Tyr Ser Ala Phe Thr
260      265      270
Trp Leu Gly Tyr Val Asn Ser Ala Val Asn Pro Ile Ile Tyr Thr Thr
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290      295      300

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( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- ( A ) LENGTH: 377 amino acids
- ( B ) TYPE: amino acid
- ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant
- ( D ) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

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Met Gly Pro Pro Gly Asn Asp Ser Asp Phe Leu Leu Thr Thr Asn Gly
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Lys	Met	Trp	Asn	Phe	Gly	Asn	Phe	Trp	Cys	Glu	Phe	Trp	Thr	Ser	Ile
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Asp	Val	Leu	Cys	Val	Thr	Ala	Ser	Ile	Glu	Thr	Leu	Cys	Val	Ile	Ala
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Val	Asp	Arg	Tyr	Ile	Ala	Ile	Thr	Ser	Pro	Phe	Lys	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Leu
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Thr	His	Gln	Lys	Ala	Ile	Asp	Cys	Tyr	His	Arg	Glu	Thr	Cys	Cys	Asp
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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

## ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- ( A ) LENGTH: 450 amino acids
- ( B ) TYPE: amino acid
- ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant
- ( D ) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

## ( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## ( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

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Thr	Leu	Thr 35	Leu	Val	Cys	Leu	Ala 40	Gly	Leu	Leu	Met	Leu 45	Leu	Thr	Val
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Val 385	Cys	Trp	Phe	Pro	Phe	Phe	Phe	Thr	Tyr	Thr 395	Leu	Thr	Ala	Val	Gly 400
Cys	Ser	Val	Pro	Arg 405	Thr	Leu	Phe	Lys	Phe 410	Phe	Phe	Trp	Phe	Gly 415	Tyr
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( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 421 amino acids  
(B) TYPE: amino acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant  
(D) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

( i i ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

( x i ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

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Ser	Tyr	Gln 35	Val	Ile	Thr	Ser	Leu 40	Leu	Leu	Gly	Thr	Leu 45	Ile	Phe Cys
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Asp	Leu	Met	Val	Ser 85	Val	Leu	Val	Leu	Pro 90	Met	Ala	Ala	Leu	Tyr Gln 95
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Ile	Gly	Phe	Leu	Ile 165	Ser	Ile	Pro	Pro	Met 170	Leu	Gly	Trp	Arg	Thr Pro 175
Glu	Asp	Arg	Ser 180	Asp	Pro	Asp	Ala	Cys 185	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp 190	Met Gly
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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

## ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- ( A ) LENGTH: 461 amino acids
- ( B ) TYPE: amino acid
- ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant
- ( D ) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

## ( ii ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## ( xi ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

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		20					25					30				
Gly	Leu	Leu	Ser	Leu	Ala	Thr	Val	Thr	Gly	Asn	Leu	Leu	Val	Ile	Ile	
	35					40					45					
Ser	Phe	Lys	Val	Asn	Thr	Glu	Leu	Lys	Thr	Val	Asn	Asn	Tyr	Phe	Leu	
	50				55					60						
Leu	Ser	Leu	Ala	Cys	Ala	Asp	Leu	Ile	Ile	Gly	Thr	Phe	Ser	Met	Asn	
65				70					75					80		
Leu	Tyr	Thr	Thr	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Met	Gly	His	Trp	Ala	Leu	Gly	Thr	Leu	
			85					90					95			
Ala	Cys	Asp	Leu	Trp	Leu	Ala	Leu	Asp	Tyr	Val	Ala	Ser	Asn	Ala	Ser	
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Arg	Pro	Leu	Ser	Tyr	Arg	Ala	Lys	Arg	Thr	Pro	Arg	Arg	Ala	Ala	Leu	
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385					390					395					400		
Trp	Glu	Leu	Gly	Tyr	Trp	Leu	Cys	Tyr	Val	Asn	Ser	Thr	Ile	Asn	Pro		
				405					410					415			
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			420					425					430				
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## ( 2 ) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

## ( i ) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- ( A ) LENGTH: 387 amino acids  
 ( B ) TYPE: amino acid  
 ( C ) STRANDEDNESS: Not Relevant  
 ( D ) TOPOLOGY: Not Relevant

## ( ii ) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## ( xi ) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

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			20					25					30		
Leu	Ala	Leu	Trp	Thr	Ala	Ala	Tyr	Leu	Ala	Leu	Val	Leu	Val	Ala	Val
		35					40					45			
Met	Gly	Asn	Ala	Thr	Val	Ile	Trp	Ile	Ile	Leu	Ala	His	Gln	Arg	Met
	50					55				60					
Arg	Thr	Val	Thr	Asn	Tyr	Phe	Ile	Val	Asn	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala	Asp	Leu
	65				70					75				80	
Cys	Met	Ala	Ala	Phe	Asn	Ala	Ala	Phe	Asn	Phe	Val	Tyr	Ala	Ser	His
				85					90					95	
Asn	Ile	Trp	Tyr	Phe	Gly	Arg	Ala	Phe	Cys	Tyr	Phe	Gln	Asn	Leu	Phe
		100						105					110		
Pro	Ile	Thr	Ala	Met	Phe	Val	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser	Met	Thr	Ala	Ile	Ala
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Met	Leu 195	Leu	Tyr	His	Leu	Ile 200	Val	Ile	Ala	Leu	Ile 205	Tyr	Phe	Leu
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Gly	Thr	Phe 275	Gln	Glu	Asp	Ile	Tyr 280	Cys	His	Lys	Phe	Ile 285	Gln	Gln 290
Tyr 290	Leu	Ala	Leu	Phe	Trp	Leu 295	Ala	Met	Ser	Ser	Thr 300	Met	Tyr	Asn 305
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I claim:

1. An isolated polynucleotide molecule which encodes a  $p^{H218}$  polypeptide, said polynucleotide molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:1, or a polynucleotide molecule which hybridizes to said polynucleotide molecule under stringent hybridization conditions.

2. The polynucleotide molecule, according to claim 1, wherein said polynucleotide molecule comprises nucleotides 148 to 1203 of SEQ ID NO:1.

3. An isolated  $p^{H218}$  polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in

SEQ ID NO:1, or a polynucleotide molecule which hybridizes to said polynucleotide molecule under stringent hybridization conditions.

4. The  $p^{H218}$  polypeptide, according to claim 3, which is a protein of approximately 50 to 55 kDa molecular weight, as determined by Western blotting.

5. An isolated  $p^{H218}$  peptide, wherein said peptide has an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:5.

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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

PATENT NO. : 5,856,443  
DATED : Jan. 5, 1999  
INVENTOR(S) : Alexander John MacLennan

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 3, line 60: "cDNA" should read --cDNA.--.

Column 5, line 28: "mRNA This" should read --mRNA. This--.

Column 7, line 21: "<sup>32</sup>p" should read --<sup>32</sup>P--.

Column 8, line 31: "A<sub>160</sub>" should read --A<sub>260</sub>.--.

Column 9, line 30: "<sup>32</sup>p" should read --<sup>32</sup>P--.

Column 9, line 59: "pH218." should read --p<sup>H218</sup>.--.

Column 12, line 16: "p<sup>H218.2)</sup>" should read --p<sup>H218</sup>, 2)--.

Column 14, line 13: "H218 MRNA." should read --H218 mRNA--.

Column 14, line 44: "Neurosci" should read --Neurosci.--.

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